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THEFTS FROM VEHICLES

On Friday, December 31, 2010 at 0233 hrs., Deputy Jeff Dybzinski was on patrol on Normandy Drive in Painesville Township and identified an 19 year old male walking in the area. The male was found to be carrying a large amount of property, to include a laptop computer in a case, numerous GPS units, recharging wires, multiple sunglasses, and several digital cameras. The property totaled over \$2,100.00. After a brief interview, the male admitted to entering unlocked vehicles and stealing the noted property. Deputies then began checking the area for other accomplices, and upon entering Cambridge Condominiums at 1651 Mentor Avenue, Painesville Township, observed two more males running from between cars. After a brief foot pursuit, one 18 year old male and one 16 year old male were taken into custody. The 18 year old male was found to have a switchblade knife in his possession and was charged accordingly.

During interviews with the three suspects, a fourth suspect was developed and within minutes, that 19 year old male was picked up by the Sheriff's Office. All four suspects admitted to entering an estimated 25-35 vehicles which were unlocked and stole the noted property. It was found that many of the vehicles which they entered had no property stolen. The area's in which these males entered vehicle's was Cambridge Condominium's, the area of Normandy Drive in Painesville Township, the Courtyard Village Apartments in Painesville Township, and the parking lot of Lake Med Nursing Home in Painesville Township. A majority of the property has been returned however anyone having property missing from vehicle's in the noted area are asked to contact the Lake County Sheriff's Office.

Charges for these males are still pending until all victims are identified.

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